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Mr. Vernon A. Williams
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Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

**Re: Surface Transportation Board Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 395X); The
Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company (BNSF) Abandonment
between Columbus, Kansas and Carthage, Missouri**

Dear Secretary Williams:

In reply to the comments filed on behalf of the Joplin Trail Coalition dated May 17, 2002 regarding the above-referenced docket, BNSF does not object to the issuance of a Notice of Interim Trails Use.

Sincerely,


Sarah Whitley Bailiff

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cc: Charles Montange (Joplin Trail Coalition)
Richard Batie
Brian Nettles